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Classified By: Ambassador Paul Trivelli for reasons 1.4 (d)

- 11. (U) Nicaragua's Supreme Electoral Council (CSE) released the final version of the 2006 Electoral Calendar after a period of consultation with Nicaragua's political parties (reftel). The last version contains several date changes; the deadlines for many events have been pushed forward, while a few were delayed. The following is a list of key dates indicated on the calendar:
- May 12, 2006: Deadline to register alliances of political parties.
- May 15, 2006: Official appointment of the members of the Departmental and Regional Electoral Councils.
- May 30, 2006: Official appointment of the members of the Municipal Electoral Councils.
- May 31, 2006: Presentation of presidential candidates.
- June 2006: Verification of voter registry and change of voting district. CSE will finalize verification on August 7, 2006.
- June 19, 2006: Final publication of official candidates.
- August 6, 2006: Deadline to solicit a cedula (national ID card required for voting).
- August 19, 2006: Formal opening of electoral campaign.
- September 5, 2006: Deadline for the completion of requested cedulas or supplementary voting documents.
- September 5, 2006: Deadline for inclusion of new voters in registry.
- November 1, 2006: Formal close of electoral campaign.
- November 5, 2006: Election Day and transmission of results to national computation center.
- November 19, 2006: Publication of preliminary results.
- December 2-11, 2006: Proclamation of winners (takes place after formal complaint/resolution process).
- January 9, 2007: Inauguration of new President and National Assembly.
- 12. (C) Comment: Most of the deadlines for registering alliances, parties and candidates were brought forward, forcing the parties to make decisions sooner. Notably, the

publication of preliminary election results was pushed back from November 6 on the first draft calendar (the day after the elections) to November 19. The potential 14-day delay between Election Day and the release of preliminary results from the CSE will make "quick counts" from national observation groups all the more critical to avoid manipulation of the vote count by partisan elements in the CSE.
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